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#### Officer Involved Shooting Involved Employee Information

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# Officer Involved Shooting Suspect Information

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# SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYEE WITNESSES Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Page 5 of 5 **Employee Witnesses** Last Name M.I. First Name McCarthy Ronald Street Address Zip Code Home Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputy # First Name Llandel Garcia Work Ph Street Address Zip Code Home Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputy # (661) 295-7810 First Name Gonzalez Charles Street Address Zip Code Work Ph (562) 421-2701 Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Pilot # First Name Zager Morrie C Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Co-pilot a (retired) M.I. First Name Carlin-Rodriguez Joaquin Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Security Officer # (747) 210-3409 First Name M.I. L Lewis Michael Work Ph Street Address Zip Code Home Ph Los Angeles County Law Enforcement Technician # (retired) First Name Kenneth Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputy # (retired) Last Name First Name M Koch Joseph Street Address Zip Code Hame Ph Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Sergeant # (retired) Last Name First Name M.I. Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph M.I. Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph M.I. Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Last Name M.I. First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Home Ph Work Ph M.I. Last Name First Name Street Address Zip Code Work Ph Home Ph

## **SHOOTING REVIEW SUMMARY**

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

#### SHOOTING REVIEW SUMMARY

INCIDENT: On-Duty Hit Shooting, Suspect Shot

DATE/TIME: October 31, 2017, 0712 Hours

IAB #: SH 2439345

URN #: 017-02051-8548-053

LOCATION: Roscoe Boulevard and White Oak Avenue, Northridge

#### SYNOPSIS:

On October 31, 2017, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Force and Shooting Rollout Team, comprised of Lieutenant James Powers, and Sergeants Scott Chapman and Javier Azteca, responded to the City of Northridge. The response was regarding an onduty hit shooting, involving Sergeant Charles Moylan (Involved Employee) assigned to County Services Bureau (CSB).

IAB Lieutenant Powers verified the Santa Clarita Valley Station Watch Commander, Lieutenant Douglas Mohrhoff, # Louis Look reasonable steps to ensure the involved personnel and witness personnel did not discuss the incident amongst themselves or with uninvolved persons before being interviewed by the assigned investigators. Lieutenant Powers also ensured Lieutenant Mohrhoff knew the involved personnel and witness personnel should not collectively consult with their representative. Additionally, IAB Lieutenant Powers confirmed Lieutenant Mohrhoff had all involved and witness personnel gather in the company of a supervisor until they provided a statement to the assigned investigators.

Homicide Detectives Dean Camarillo, # and Eduardo Aguirre, # conducted the shooting investigation and prepared a Homicide casebook [Exhibit A]. The shooting was reviewed by the Justice System Integrity Division (JSID), of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. Deputy District Attorney Shannon Presby submitted a memorandum of their investigation [Exhibit A, JSID]. The JSID memorandum, dated September 16, 2020, stated Sergeant Moylan acted lawfully in self-defense when he used deadly force.

#### SUMMARY:

On October 31, 2017, CSB desk personnel received an Insane Person call for service, incident #OCS17304-0102 [Exhibit A: Page 12] at the Olive View Medical Center, Psychiatric Emergency Room, located at 1445 Olive View Drive, Sylmar.

IAB NOTE: For consistency and efficiency, all page numbers referenced are utilizing the scanned Homicide casebook PDF file.

The informant in the call, a nurse at Olive View Medical Center, told CSB Law Enforcement Technician (LET) Michael Lewis they had a "Code Gold" in the Psych ER Hallway. She called a second time and indicated the patient (Suspect Sason Malca) was a male Hispanic, had escaped, was not wearing a shirt, and had a stick in his hand [Exhibit A, Call for Service Audios]. LET Lewis typed the call for service, dispatched it as routine, and assigned three units to the call. The call further indicated Suspect Malca was in the hallway and a "BRT team was en route."

IAB NOTE: Routine calls are considered non-emergent, and often involve less personnel. Priority calls are voiced over the radio system, typically involve more personnel, and often a sergeant is assigned to the call.

IAB NOTE: "Code Gold" is a term used within the hospital to describe a patient that is being combative with the nursing staff. "BRT" is an acronym for Behavior Response Team, which is comprised of trained nursing staff. They deal with violent patients within the hospital.

Suspect Malca was a patient at Olive View Medical Center and was admitted for a psychiatric evaluation, per 5150 of the Welfare and Institution Code (WIC) [Exhibit A: Page 19]. Suspect Malca was brought to the hospital on October 30, 2017, at approximately 2020 hours, by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD).

Deputy John Dall (Witness Dall), Unit 858A, was assigned as the primary handling unit. Three additional units were assigned to assist. They were Sheriff Security Officer (SSO) Hasan Alatya, # Unit 858O5, and SSO Carlin-Rodriguez, Unit 858O1. The third unit was initially Unit 858A2; however, according to the incident history report, there were no units logged on for that assigned unit.

Witness Dall arrived at the emergency room entrance parking lot by himself, exited his patrol vehicle, and locked his patrol vehicle's doors. While Witness Dall was walking toward the emergency room doors, he observed several hospital staff members exiting the building and pointing toward the entrance. Witness Dall observed Suspect Malca standing in the hallway inside the hospital. Suspect Malca was armed with a metal pole that was approximately five to six feet long (the pole was later determined to be the

handle of a mop). Once Witness Dall entered the emergency room entrance, Suspect Malca immediately ran toward him armed with the metal pole. Witness Dall retreated outside the hospital, in the ambulance parking lot, and stood near a pillar. Witness Dall ordered Suspect Malca to drop the metal pole, but he ignored his commands. Suspect Malca told Witness Dall to open his patrol vehicle's doors as he attempted to open the locked patrol vehicle. Witness Dall told him he did not have the vehicle's keys.

Suspect Malca raised the metal pipe, while he stood approximately twelve feet away from Witness Dall. Witness Dall removed his duty weapon from his holster, believing Suspect Malca was about to assault him. At this point, Sergeant Moylan arrived in his patrol vehicle (Ford Explorer) with his patrol vehicle's rotating overhead lights on and the siren off.

Suspect Malca turned his attention toward Sergeant Moylan. Suspect Malca ran toward Sergeant Moylan as he exited his patrol vehicle to retrieve a stun bag shotgun located inside the trunk. Sergeant Moylan purposely left the vehicle's engine on, with the keys in the ignition, and depressed the trunk unlock button. Sergeant Moylan told investigators he did this to retrieve the stun bag shotgun quicker, rather than using the vehicle's keys to unlock the trunk area. Sergeant Moylan was near the trunk area of the patrol vehicle when Suspect Malca approached and swung the metal pipe at him. Sergeant Moylan removed his duty weapon from his holster and said he considered shooting Suspect Malca at this time, but stated his backdrop included numerous nurses and Witness Dall.

Suspect Malca immediately entered the driver's door of Sergeant Moylan's unlocked patrol vehicle, sat in the driver's seat, locked the vehicle's doors, and drove away onto Reagan Avenue and then west onto Olive View Drive. Sergeant Moylan attempted to break the driver's door's window with his handgun in an attempt to stop Suspect Malca from driving away; however, the glass did not break. Sergeant Moylan entered the passenger seat of Witness Dall's patrol vehicle (Ford Explorer), while Witness Dall drove in the same direction of Suspect Malca and the stolen patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan immediately activated the duplex "patch" frequency and broadcast they were in pursuit of a stolen patrol vehicle.

### IAB NOTE: The "Patch" is a direct radio communication frequency typically used in emergent situations.

Witness Dall and Sergeant Moylan located the stolen patrol vehicle as it entered the westbound 210 Freeway from Olive View Drive. Sergeant Moylan reiterated they were in pursuit of a stolen patrol vehicle, their direction of travel, their approximate speed of 25 miles-per-hour (MPH), and stated there were light traffic conditions. Sergeant Moylan requested an airship from the Department's Aero Bureau, the California Highway Patrol (CHP), and notification to LAPD. Aero Bureau Pilot Deputy Charles Gonzalez (Deputy Gonzalez) and Tactical Flight Sergeant Morrie Zager, Unit Air 7, acknowledged and stated they were responding from the Century Station area. The

Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) dispatcher ascertained if CHP was monitoring the radio frequency channel, and they replied they were. The SCC dispatcher "patched in" CHP with the radio frequency channel the pursuit was being broadcasted on.

IAB NOTE: "Patched in" refers to linking in outside agencies, and/or other Department station units, so the involved units can communicate directly with one another. This is commonly used in emergent situations.

The pursuit continued on the 210 Freeway westbound to the 5 Freeway northbound. The CHP dispatcher confirmed a formal request to take over the pursuit. The SCC dispatcher asked Sergeant Moylan if he wanted CHP to take over; however, Sergeant Movlan did not answer.

Sergeant Janice Benning, Unit 858S1, and Deputy Craig Roberts, Unit 858A1, heard the pursuit broadcast and drove toward the pursuit to assist. SSO Carlin-Rodriguez was also involved during the initiation of the pursuit, but left once CHP arrived.

IAB NOTE: Deputy Roberts is a canine deputy, and was driving a Department Chevrolet Tahoe, with his service dog inside. Deputy Roberts' unit of assignment was Transit Services Bureau (TSB), and he had a bomb detection dog. Deputy Roberts was working overtime at Olive View Medical Center during the incident.

The SCC dispatcher asked Sergeant Moylan if Suspect Malca had any weapons. Sergeant Moylan broadcast Suspect Malca had a pipe, and had access to the weapons contained within the patrol vehicle. Several minutes later, CHP dispatchers asked what kind of weapons were inside the vehicle. Sergeant Moylan broadcast the stolen patrol vehicle had a Department-issued AR-15 rifle and shotgun. Both firearms were loaded with live rounds and secured in the patrol vehicle's weapons rack system located in the center console of the vehicle.

A single CHP vehicle joined the pursuit around the northbound 14 Freeway, near Newhall Avenue. A second CHP vehicle joined the pursuit near southbound Foothill Boulevard at the 5 and 14 Freeway split. Sergeant Moylan and Witness Dall continued as the third vehicle in the pursuit. Sergeant Moylan was in the only Department vehicle in the pursuit at this time. Sergeant Moylan requested a Santa Clarita Valley (SCV) Station unit with spike strips to assist. Deputies Ronald McCarthy and Llandel Garcia, Unit 67A, acknowledged the request and responded toward the direction of the pursuit "Code 3."

IAB NOTE: Spike strips are tire deflation devices commonly used against suspect vehicles who are fleeing from law enforcement.

IAB NOTE: "Code 3" is a radio code for driving a patrol vehicle utilizing flashing lights and sirens, and is used for emergent situations.

Suspect Malca exited the northbound 14 Freeway at Newhall Avenue, drove southbound on Sierra Highway to eastbound Foothill Boulevard, and then onto southbound Balboa Boulevard.

As the pursuit continued southbound Balboa Boulevard, just north of the 118 Freeway, Deputy Roberts joined the pursuit. Air 7 also announced they were overhead and took over pursuit broadcast responsibilities. Suspect Malca continued southbound Balboa Boulevard and turned eastbound Rinaldi Street. At this time, there were two CHP units, Deputy Dall and Sergeant Moylan, and Deputy Roberts in pursuit. Shortly after, Unit 67A, Deputies McCarthy and Garcia, broadcast they were now involved in the pursuit.

Air 7 asked Sergeant Moylan who was handling the pursuit, CHP or the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD). Several minutes later, the SCC dispatcher broadcast CHP was inquiring who was handling the pursuit, CHP or LASD. A short time later, the SCC dispatcher broadcasted, per the watch commander, LASD was the primary agency, and CHP was the secondary. Adding, if the pursuit went back onto the freeway, CHP would take over as the primary pursuing agency.

Suspect Malca turned southbound on Woodley Avenue, from Rinaldi Street, running several red lights, and then turned westbound on Plummer Street. The SCC dispatcher asked CHP to employ the Pursuit Intervention Technique (PIT). CHP responded they would not PIT unless they took over the pursuit. Suspect Malca turned southbound Balboa Boulevard from Plummer Street. The SCC dispatcher requested CHP to take over the pursuit and employ the PIT. CHP acknowledged the request. Suspect Malca continued southbound Balboa Boulevard, near Parthenia Street, when CHP broadcast they were backing out of the pursuit because they were entering LAPD's area. The CHP dispatcher broadcast they would contact LAPD to assist with the pursuit.

When the pursuit neared Balboa Boulevard, toward Roscoe Boulevard, the SCC dispatcher advised SCV Deputies McCarthy and Garcia to return to their station per their watch commander. The deputies acknowledged and left the pursuit, as Suspect Malca turned onto westbound Roscoe Boulevard.

Suspect Malca stopped on westbound Roscoe Boulevard, at White Oak Avenue, behind several civilian vehicles stopped at a red light. At this point, Sergeant Benning arrived at the scene. Sergeant Moylan told Deputy Dall to box in Suspect Malca and the stolen patrol vehicle. Deputy Dall drove parallel to the driver's side of the stolen patrol vehicle and stopped just past it. Suspect Malca immediately drove the stolen patrol vehicle in reverse, and struck Deputy Roberts' patrol vehicle's front end with his rear bumper. Deputy Roberts' vehicle was stopped several car lengths behind Suspect Malca, in the number one lane.

Sergeant Moylan stated he feared Suspect Malca would run over a pedestrian, and/or access the patrol vehicle's weapons, and injure or kill someone. Sergeant Moylan exited the patrol vehicle, while Suspect Malca was reversing. After Suspect Malca struck Deputy Roberts' patrol vehicle, Suspect Malca drove forward in the direction of Sergeant Moylan. Sergeant Moylan said Suspect Malca drove the vehicle toward him. Therefore, Sergeant Moylan fired two rounds from his duty weapon. Sergeant Moylan stated he aimed downward into the vehicle, and intended to fire through the front windshield; however, the rounds went through the driver's side windows. He purposely did this to avoid striking any civilian vehicles or pedestrians that were in the area.

Suspect Malca failed to yield and continued to evade the deputies in the stolen patrol vehicle. He drove away southbound White Oak Avenue from westbound Roscoe Boulevard. Sergeant Moylan immediately broadcast a deputy-involved shooting had just occurred.

Suspect Malca drove a short distance, approximately 2.2 miles, on southbound White Oak Avenue, and stopped at Kittridge Street, as Sergeant Martin Mercado, Unit 853S4, arrived. Suspect Malca exited the stolen patrol vehicle's driver door and immediately put his hands in the air. Sergeant Moylan gave him numerous verbal commands, and Suspect Malca complied. Sergeant Moylan, Mercado, Benning and Deputies Dall and Roberts were on scene when Suspect Malca was taken into custody without further incident.

Los Angeles City Fire Department personnel, from Rescue #73, arrived on the scene and transported Suspect Malca to Northridge Hospital for medical treatment.

The vehicle pursuit traversed an estimated total distance of 22.6 miles, with approximately 13 miles on surface streets. The duration of the pursuit was approximately 36 minutes, and the average speed was approximately 37 MPH. Throughout the pursuit, Sergeant Moylan and Air 7 broadcast pertinent information and frequent updates. Cold line communication was also established at the onset of the pursuit.

#### INVOLVED PERSONNEL AND WORK HISTORY:

Sergeant Charles Moylan # County Services Bureau

#### **Work History:**

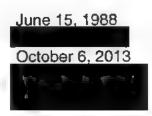
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Prior Shooting Incidents:



#### **Equipment Worn by Sergeant Moylan:**

A green LASD jacket with sergeant stripes and embroidered nameplate. "Class A" uniform shirt with sheriff patches on both shoulders and a metal badge, nameplate, bullet-resistant vest, green pants, and black boots.

A leather Sam Browne belt containing the following equipment:
Smith and Wesson M&P, 9 millimeter, semiautomatic pistol, loaded with a magazine
(2) Magazines with live ammunition
Oleoresin Capsicum Pepper Spray
(2) Handcuffs
Handheld portable radio
Baton ring

IAB NOTE: Sergeant Moylan stated all (3) of his magazines were loaded with 15 rounds, based on his training; although, the magazines have a 17 round capacity.

#### SUSPECT INFORMATION:

Sason Malca

Male Other, DOB: 12/04/84, 5'11", 200 pounds



IAB NOTE: A copy of Suspect Malca's consolidated criminal history is included in the Homicide casebook [EXHIBIT A: Pages 97-105].

#### WITNESSES:

Homicide detectives and IAB investigators identified Deputy Dall was involved in the pursuit, and driving the patrol vehicle Sergeant Moylan was in. Deputy Dall, and Sergeant Benning, did not see Sergeant Moylan shoot, but they both heard the shots. Deputy Roberts witnessed Sergeant Moylan discharge his firearm. No other sworn witnesses were located.

SCV Deputies McCarthy and Garcia responded to the pursuit after spike strips were requested. They were also briefly involved in the pursuit. The spike strips were never deployed.

Aero Bureau Pilot Deputy Charles Gonzalez and Tactical Flight Sergeant Morrie Zager were overhead, for approximately half of the pursuit, and took over broadcast responsibilities.

IAB NOTE: Seven involved employees (Sergeant Moylan, Deputy Dall, Deputy Roberts, Sergeant Benning, Sergeant Koch, Deputy Collins, and LET Lewis) retired from the Department. All declined an IAB interview or did not return IAB investigators' request for an interview. The information contained within this summary of their involvement is based on the Homicide detective interviews and other sources of information.

There were no civilian witnesses identified by Homicide detectives, or IAB investigators that observed the pursuit or shooting. Eleven Olive View Medical Center staff witnessed Suspect Malca's behavior in the emergency room, and adjacent parking lot, prior to these incidents. They were identified by Homicide detectives and interviewed as part of the criminal case against Suspect Malca. The eleven witnesses wrote affidavits as to what they observed [Exhibit A, Homicide casebook: Pages 20-30].

#### INJURIES:

Suspect Malca sustained two gunshot wounds to his right shoulder area. For further see medical report authored by Doctor Alfred Pascual (Miscellaneous Documents).

No deputies were injured during the incident.

#### PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:

Three crime scene locations were identified by IAB investigators and Homicide detectives. Location #1 was the emergency room parking lot and entrance, located at Olive View Medical Center. This is where the assault on a police officer and theft of the patrol vehicle occurred. Location #2 was a commercial area at Roscoe Boulevard and White Oak Avenue (Roscoe Boulevard, in the city of Northridge). This is where the deputy-involved shooting occurred. Location #3 was a residential area at White Oak Avenue, in the city of Reseda. This is where the terminus of the pursuit occurred.

The following personnel assisted in locating, identifying, and recovering the physical evidence at the three different crime scenes: Homicide Detectives Quilmes Rodriguez, and Omar Miranda, # Los Angeles County Scientific Services Bureau (SSB) Forensic Identification Specialist Michael Bayer, # and Deputies Ray

Davidson, # and John Chun, # For descriptions of the evidence collected and where it was located, see the Homicide casebook [Exhibit A: Pages 43-50, 77-81].

#### **INVESTIGATORS OBSERVATIONS:**

The three crime scene locations were described in detail by Homicide Detectives Miranda and Rodriguez [Exhibit A: Pages 43-55]. Their descriptions of the scenes were consistent with IAB investigators' observations. Crime scene investigators from SSB collected evidence and photographed the three scenes. They also authored several investigative reports [Exhibit A: Pages 77-80] detailing their actions.

#### **WEAPONS USED BY SERGEANT CHARLES MOYLAN:**

Sergeant Moylan fired two rounds from his Department-issued Smith and Wesson M&P, 9 millimeter, semiautomatic pistol. The firearm was examined by Firearms Senior Criminalist Phil Teramoto, # of the SSB, and found the pistol to be functional [EXHIBIT A: Pages 83-84].

Date last qualified:

Date last trained with the weapon:



#### **WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECT SASON MALCA:**

Suspect Maica was in possession of an aluminum mop handle, approximately four feet in length [EXHIBIT A: Page 44]. Suspect Malca also used the stolen patrol vehicle, a 2016 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor, as a weapon when he rammed Deputy Roberts' patrol vehicle and attempted to strike Sergeant Moylan.

#### PROPERTY DAMAGE:

2016 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor, California license #1490254, front, and rear driver's door windows were shattered. There was a possible bullet impact on the interior front passenger door and rear security cage. The vehicle was towed to the Communication and Fleet Bureau (CFMB) for further inspection [Exhibit A: Pages 88-89].

2012 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Sport Utility Vehicle, California license #1381980, front bumper fascia scratches, and scuffs.

#### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS AND CHARGES FILED:**

Homicide detectives filed five felony charges, and one misdemeanor charge on Suspect Malca for the following: Carjacking, 215(a) Penal Code (P.C.)., Assault on a Police Officer, 245(c) P.C. (two counts), Reckless Driving, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, 245(a) (1) P.C., 2800.2 California Vehicle Code (C.V.C.), and Assault with a Deadly

Weapon, 245 (a)(4) P.C. (misdemeanor) [Exhibit A: Pages 106-11].

IAB NOTE: Per Homicide Detective Camarillo, the criminal case against Suspect Malca is still pending.

#### **LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS:**

This shooting occurred outdoors in the morning hours. There was daylight, and the weather was partially cloudy, cool, with light interment rain.

#### INTERVIEWS:

The following is a summary of the recorded interviews of the involved employees, and witnesses statements to IAB investigators and Homicide detectives. For additional information, refer to the attached verbatim transcripts and/or audio files.

#### **INVOLVED EMPLOYEE STATEMENTS:**

#### Sergeant Charles Moylan

Sergeant Charles Moylan was interviewed by Homicide detectives on October 31, 2017, at 1618 hours.

IAB NOTE: Sergeant Moylan retired on March 19, 2019, and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was recorded (Miscellaneous Documents).

Sergeant Moylan stated he was assigned to CSB and working overtime during this incident, as Unit 858S. He was monitoring the radio and heard a "918" call in the psychiatric emergency room. Sergeant Moylan was sitting in his office, located across the parking lot from the emergency room (Homicide Transcripts, Page 9). He was getting ready to call the desk and inquire about the call when he heard Deputy Dall request assistance via the radio (Homicide Transcripts, Page 10). He yelled to LET Lewis, "I am en route." He responded to the call "Code 3." Once he arrived, he shut his siren off but left the vehicle's rotating lights on. He parked his patrol vehicle, about 2 ½ vehicle lengths away from Deputy Dall's patrol vehicle.

IAB NOTE: "918" is a radio code for mentally ill persons.

Sergeant Moylan saw Deputy Dall and Suspect Malca who was holding a metal pole. He also saw numerous nurses standing around. Sergeant Moylan said he believed a Taser would not work for the situation. He depressed the trunk release button in his patrol vehicle to get a stun bag shotgun. Adding, if the vehicle was turned off, the trunk release would not work. Sergeant Moylan walked to his vehicle's trunk, while his vehicle was still running and the keys in the ignition. He heard Deputy Dall say, "Look

out he is coming your way" (Homicide Transcripts, Pages 12, 13).

Sergeant Moylan said Suspect Malca was running around waving a pole, which kept the nursing staff away. He observed Deputy Dall had a weapon in his hand and asked him if it was a Taser. Deputy Dall responded, "No." Sergeant Moylan said he felt a Taser was inappropriate, "It's either lethal, stun bag, or Arwen" (Homicide Transcripts, Page 14). Once Suspect Malca saw him (Sergeant Moylan) and his patrol vehicle, Suspect Malca turned his focus toward him.

Homicide detectives asked Sergeant Moylan why he pushed the trunk release button. Sergeant Moylan said there were only two ways to get into the trunk. If the vehicle is running, you can press the trunk release button in the center console, or use the vehicle keys to manually unlock it. Sergeant Moylan said unlocking the trunk manually is a fine motor skill, and not as quick as the trunk release button. Sergeant Moylan intended to retrieve the stun bag shotgun or Arwen which were in the trunk. The patrol vehicle also had a Department AR-15 rifle that was "patrol ready." Sergeant Moylan explained the rifle had a loaded 30 round magazine, with no live rounds in the chamber, and was secured between the driver and passenger seats (Homicide Transcripts Pages 17, 18).

Sergeant Moylan said after he heard Deputy Dall say, "Lookout," Suspect Malca started to advance toward him holding the metal pole at shoulder height. Sergeant Moylan believed he was going to be attacked, drew his firearm, and came up on his target (Suspect Malca). He was going to shoot Suspect Malca, but his backdrop was the nursing staff. Sergeant Moylan believed he would have to go "hand to hand" with Suspect Malca. Suspect Malca swung or threw the pole, and it hit the door of the patrol vehicle (Homicide Transcripts, Page 20). Sergeant Moylan further stated the pole missed him by only a few feet, while he stood near the vehicle's left rear tire.

Once Suspect Malca swung the pole, the pole landed on the ground. Suspect Malca immediately got into the patrol vehicle's driver's door, and he sat in the driver seat. The driver's window was rolled up, so Sergeant Moylan hit the window with his handgun, and attempted to break the driver's door glass (Homicide Transcripts, Page 21). Sergeant Moylan later stated his gun-mounted light fell off when he struck the patrol vehicle window (Homicide Transcripts, Page 26).

Homicide detectives asked several follow-up questions about the moment when Suspect Malca took his vehicle. Sergeant Moylan said once Suspect Malca entered his vehicle, he locked the doors (Homicide Transcripts, Page 39). Sergeant Moylan said after Suspect Malca fled the location in his patrol vehicle, he got into the passenger seat of Deputy Dall's patrol vehicle. Deputy Dall drove in the direction of the stolen patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan said he looked in the distance and saw his vehicle, based on the fact the overhead rotating lights were still on (Homicide Transcripts, Page 41).

Sergeant Moylan said he activated the "Patch" and broadcast they were in pursuit.

They caught up to the stolen patrol vehicle near Olive View Drive, near the 210 Freeway, as Suspect Malca was driving about 30-35 MPH. Sergeant Moylan said he broadcast all pertinent information and current location(s). He requested assistance from Aero Bureau, SCV Station, CHP, and LAPD. The pursuit continued onto the 5 Freeway, and then onto the 14 Freeway (Homicide Transcripts, Page 42). Suspect Malca exited Newhall Avenue and drove north. Sergeant Moylan said his big concern was Suspect Malca was violent at the hospital, and he was now in a patrol vehicle which contained a loaded shotgun and an AR-15 rifle.

Sergeant Moylan requested a SCV unit with spike strips because they were driving on Newhall Avenue, which is a divided highway, with moderate traffic (Homicide Transcripts, Page 44). Suspect Malca drove south on Sierra Highway, at Foothill Boulevard, and the traffic was jammed. The stolen patrol vehicle's overhead lights were still on, so civilian vehicles were moving out of the way. Suspect Malca turned right, and headed southbound on Balboa Boulevard. A CHP unit arrived, and eventually, a second CHP unit arrived. Sergeant Moylan wanted to turn the pursuit over to CHP, but he was waiting on his watch commander, CSB Sergeant Joseph Koch's input. Air 7 arrived and resumed broadcasting the pursuit (Homicide Transcripts, Page 45).

Sergeant Moylan said Suspect Malca obeyed the rules of the road, but drove a little bit recklessly. Once they tried to box Suspect Malca in, Suspect Malca managed to cut through traffic. The other motorists yielded because the stolen patrol vehicle's overhead lights were still on (Homicide Transcripts, Page 46). Suspect Malca began to run red lights in the area, and Sergeant Moylan said he was getting desperate. He considered ramming the stolen patrol vehicle if the opportunity afforded (Homicide Transcripts, Page 47) and recalled hearing Air 7 say, "You guys gotta do something, you gotta stop this car, whatever you have to do, stop that car."

IAB NOTE: A review of the recorded radio traffic did not reveal any of these statements by Air 7 as stated by Sergeant Moylan.

Sergeant Moylan said he told Deputy Dall to drive next to the stolen patrol vehicle while he pointed his handgun out the passenger window as a ruse. Suspect Malca slowed, and Sergeant Moylan said they pulled over and cut off the stolen patrol vehicle. Once again, the stolen patrol vehicle "snaked" his way through traffic. Sergeant Moylan was trying to get the Canine unit, Deputy Roberts, to help block in Suspect Malca (Homicide Transcripts, Page 48).

At some point, Suspect Malca drove on the sidewalk of Balboa Boulevard, at about 25-30 MPH. Sergeant Moylan said they were getting near schools, and Air 7 was telling them to stop the vehicle. He told Deputy Dall to force Suspect Malca off the road (Homicide Transcripts, Page 49). Sergeant Moylan said they were near Roscoe Boulevard and White Oak Avenue, when he saw pedestrians in the intersection, a school on one corner, and traffic was backed up at a red traffic light. He told Deputy Dall to "head off" the stolen patrol vehicle. Deputy Roberts was directly behind the

stolen patrol vehicle, and Sergeant Moylan told Deputy Dall to stop their vehicle. Sergeant Moylan said he wanted to get out of the vehicle because the stolen patrol vehicle appeared to be pinned in. Sergeant Moylan did not want to get stuck in the passenger seat, with a shotgun and AR-15 rifle accessible to Suspect Malca inside the stolen patrol vehicle. As Sergeant Moylan exited the vehicle, Suspect Malca drove the stolen patrol vehicle in reverse and rammed Witness Robert's vehicle. At this point, Sergeant Moylan had to shoot Suspect Malca (Homicide Transcripts, Page 50).

Sergeant Moylan said if Suspect Malca drove the stolen patrol vehicle forward toward him, he decided he would shoot and kill Suspect Malca (Homicide Transcripts, Page 51). Suspect Malca put the vehicle in drive and drove toward Sergeant Moylan. Sergeant Moylan said he shot twice at Suspect Malca and believed the suspect was shot. Sergeant Moylan told Deputy Dall he believed Suspect Malca was shot, as the suspect drove away. Suspect Malca stopped the stolen patrol vehicle near Kittridge Street and White Oak Avenue and exited the vehicle. Sergeant Moylan said Suspect Malca was not armed, and he gave the suspect commands to get on his knees. Suspect Malca complied, and Sergeant Moylan handcuffed the suspect and placed him in the backseat of a patrol vehicle (Homicide Transcripts Page 52).

Homicide detectives asked Sergeant Moylan the distance he was from Suspect Malca's vehicle when he shot. Sergeant Moylan said he was about two to three feet away. Sergeant Moylan continued and said his backdrop was a wood fence (Homicide Transcripts, Page 57). Sergeant Moylan was trying to fire through the front windshield to shoot Suspect Malca's upper body (Homicide Transcripts, Page 60). Sergeant Moylan said Suspect Malca had just assaulted a deputy in a patrol vehicle. His concern was if Suspect Malca got away with access to the patrol vehicle's guns, who knows what may happen (Homicide Transcripts, Page 61).

Sergeant Moylan described the stolen patrol vehicle gun lock mechanisms. He said there is one button within the vehicle that opens the locks for the shotgun and AR-15 rifle (Homicide Transcripts, Page 68). Homicide detectives asked Sergeant Moylan if he was the lead vehicle during the pursuit. Sergeant Moylan said initially he was the lead vehicle in the pursuit, before CHP took the lead. Once CHP dropped out of the pursuit, he took the lead once again (Homicide Transcripts, Page 70).

Sergeant Moylan completed a firearm inspection, and conducted a round count with SSB personnel during the interview. Sergeant Moylan stated his Department issued Smith and Wesson handgun magazine has a round capacity of 17; however, he loaded each magazine with 15 rounds. He continued by saying he does not load one in the chamber of his handgun. Sergeant Moylan stated when he trained, he shoots three rounds at a time, two to the body and one to the head, knowing that he will reload after five shooting sequences (Homicide Transcripts, Pages 27, 28).

#### **SWORN WITNESS STATEMENTS:**

#### Deputy John Dall

Deputy John Dall was interviewed by Homicide detectives on October 31, 2017, at 1442 hours.

IAB NOTE: Deputy Dall retired on December 29, 2018, and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was recorded (Miscellaneous Documents).

Deputy Dall was working at Olive View Medical Center as Unit 858A. He stated he had been a deputy sheriff for seven years and was with the county police since 1989. He received a "918" call for service at the Psychiatric Unit. Once he drove his patrol vehicle to the location, he saw nursing staff near the entrance doors. The staff was waving him into the location. When Deputy Dall approached the doors, he saw Suspect Malca inside the emergency room hallway, and he appeared to be holding a broom or mop handle. Suspect Malca ran toward him, as the nursing staff began exiting the building, Deputy Dall went back outside and stood by a pillar, as he requested additional units, "Code," to his location.

IAB NOTE: Based on a radio traffic review, the assistance request was not done on a normal repeater SCC frequency. It is believed to have occurred on a direct local frequency that Olive View uses, which is not recorded. As a result, there is no recording of this assistance request.

Suspect Malca approached Deputy Dall. Deputy Dall maintained his distance and gave the suspect verbal orders to drop the broom handle. Sergeant Moylan arrived, and Suspect Malca took his focus off Deputy Dall and ran toward Sergeant Moylan (Homicide Transcripts, Page 3).

Suspect Malca looked like he was going to strike Sergeant Moylan with the broom handle, and Sergeant Moylan went to the rear of his patrol vehicle. Suspect Malca jumped into Sergeant Moylan's patrol vehicle and fled in the patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan got into the passenger seat of Deputy Dall's patrol vehicle, and they began pursuing Suspect Malca in the stolen patrol vehicle. Deputy Dall said they initially could not locate the stolen patrol vehicle, but found the vehicle near the 210 Freeway. During this time, Sergeant Moylan broadcast via the "patch" they were in pursuit of a stolen patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan requested CHP as they traveled on the 5 and 14 Freeway split, near Newhall Ranch. Once a CHP unit arrived the suspect eventually exited the Freeway and began to drive south on Sierra Highway. A CHP weights and measurements truck arrived on scene (Homicide Transcripts, Page 4).

At this point, two CHP units lead the pursuit and Deputy Dall and Sergeant Moylan were

third in the pursuit. At about Roscoe Boulevard, and White Oak Avenue, Sergeant Moylan told Deputy Dall to block in Suspect Malca with the patrol vehicle. Deputy Dall tried to block Suspect Malca several other times but was unsuccessful. Deputy Dall said they eventually blocked in Suspect Malca. Deputy Dall stopped his patrol vehicle and Sergeant Moylan exited the passenger door. Deputy Dall heard two to three gunshots, and Suspect Malca fled again in the stolen patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan reentered the patrol vehicle, and they continued pursuing the stolen patrol vehicle. They made a left turn on White Oak Avenue, where Suspect Malca pulled over, and was detained (Homicide Transcripts, Page 5).

Homicide detectives asked Deputy Dall about his initial interaction with Suspect Malca. He told them Suspect Malca had the broom handle in his hand and said, "Open the car, open the car." Deputy Dall told Suspect Malca he did not have keys, and he told him to calm down. Suspect Malca got aggressive and held the broom handle over his head. At this point, Deputy Dall said he drew his duty weapon and held it to his side (Homicide Transcripts, Page 8). Homicide detectives asked Deputy Dall about the CHP's involvement. Deputy Dall said CHP units eventually backed off, and they became the primary unit again, with Deputy Roberts as the second LASD vehicle. Witness Dall attempted to block in Suspect Malca, when the suspect suddenly stopped, causing Deputy Dall to pass the stolen patrol vehicle. Deputy Roberts was behind the stolen patrol vehicle. Sergeant Moylan exited the patrol vehicle, and Deputy Dall heard gunshots (Homicide Transcripts, Page 10).

Homicide detectives asked Deputy Dall where the broom handle was that Suspect Malca possessed. Deputy Dall believed it was still at Olive View (Homicide Transcripts, Page 17). Deputy Dall told Homicide detectives there were six to eight staff from the psychiatric unit outside. The staff told Deputy Dall to "tase" Suspect Malca. Deputy Dall later said he did not have a Taser, as he is not trained with one. Adding he has requested Taser training but never received it (Homicide Transcripts, Pages 19, 20).

#### **Deputy Craig Roberts**

Deputy Craig Roberts was interviewed by Homicide detectives on October 31, 2017, at 1510 hours.

IAB NOTE: Deputy Roberts retired on February 20, 2019, and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was recorded (Miscellaneous Documents).

Deputy Roberts stated he was assigned to the Metrolink, Bomb Canine Unit, and was working overtime at Olive View Medical Center, as Unit 858A1 on the date of this incident.

IAB NOTE: Deputy Roberts' patrol vehicle was a Chevrolet Tahoe, and he had his Labrador Retriever service dog with him during the incident.

Deputy Roberts said he heard the "918 radio call" broadcast, and then heard emergent radio traffic regarding assistance needed at the emergency room. Deputy Roberts was trying to find his way to the emergency room in his patrol vehicle. A security guard told him, "They just left going in pursuit" (Homicide Transcripts, Page 3). Deputy Roberts said he saw Sergeant Benning, who told him to follow her.

Eventually, Deputy Roberts said he located the pursuit near Foothill Boulevard, as he crossed over the (210) freeway. He stated CHP units were at the front of the pursuit, followed by several LASD vehicles, and Air 7 was calling the pursuit (**Homicide Transcripts, Pages 4, 5**).

Deputy Roberts said at one point the pursuit came to an intersection. Suspect Malca's vehicle stopped due to traffic, and Deputy Roberts was about 40-50 feet behind Suspect Malca's vehicle. Suspect Malca backed up toward his patrol vehicle and slammed into the front of his patrol vehicle (Homicide Transcripts, Page 6). Suspect Malca drove forward toward Sergeant Moylan, who had exited his patrol vehicle. Deputy Roberts said the sergeant (Moylan) fired into Suspect Malca's direction to get him to swerve away. Deputy Roberts reengaged in the pursuit, and about two miles away, Suspect Malca pulled over and stopped without further incident (Homicide Transcripts, Page 7).

Homicide detectives asked Deputy Roberts how fast Suspect Malca was driving when he collided with the front of his vehicle. Witness Roberts estimated Suspect Malca was driving about 20-25 MPH. Adding, Sergeant Moylan was exiting his patrol vehicle, as Suspect Malca was driving backward toward him (Homicide Transcripts, Page 8). Witness Roberts further stated Suspect Malca's vehicle was within a few feet of Sergeant Moylan when he swerved toward him. Deputy Roberts believed Sergeant Moylan fired three to four rounds, but was unsure (Homicide Transcripts, Page 9). After Sergeant Moylan fired his rounds, Suspect Malca's vehicle turned away from him (Homicide Transcripts, Page 21).

#### Sergeant Janice Benning

Sergeant Janice Benning was interviewed by Homicide detectives on October 31, 2017, at 1548 hours.

IAB NOTE: Sergeant Benning retired on March 31, 2018, and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was recorded (Miscellaneous Documents).

Sergeant Benning was assigned as Unit 858S1, CSB, assigned to Olive View Medical

Center. She heard the initial radio call, and then heard an assistance request. She was in her office, before her shift, and went to the locker room to change into her uniform.

IAB NOTE: The incident began at about 0634 hours. Sergeant Benning's shift started at the hours.

Sergeant Benning said the pursuit was now in the city of Santa Clarita heading back south. She told an unknown deputy (Deputy Roberts) to follow her. Sergeant Benning caught up to the pursuit near Foothill Boulevard and Balboa Boulevard. She saw Sergeant Moylan and Deputy Dall in a patrol vehicle and two CHP units (Homicide Transcripts, Page 2). Sergeant Benning said Suspect Malca's vehicle came to a stop, as well as the pursuing patrol vehicles. All of a sudden, Suspect Malca backed into the canine patrol vehicle (Deputy Roberts). Sergeant Benning said someone (Sergeant Moylan) got out of the patrol vehicle and she heard several gunshots, but she did not see the actual shooting (Homicide Transcripts, Page 3).

Suspect Malca fled again in the stolen patrol vehicle, and then pulled over after a couple of blocks (Homicide Transcripts, Page 4). Homicide detectives asked Sergeant Benning about the shooting. Sergeant Benning said she was halfway down the block when it happened (Homicide Transcripts, Page 6). Sergeant Benning believed Suspect Malca's vehicle backed into Deputy Robert's patrol vehicle because, "it wiggled a little bit." At the time, she did not know Sergeant Moylan was the one who exited the patrol vehicle (Homicide Transcripts, Page 7). Sergeant Benning was at least four to five houses away when the shooting happened. Furthermore, there were several civilian vehicles stopped in front of her (Homicide Transcripts, Pages 8, 9). Sergeant Benning said Suspect Malca pulled over a couple of blocks away and exited the stolen patrol vehicle with his hands up. Sergeant Moylan approached, handcuffed Suspect Malca, and escorted him back to the patrol vehicle (Homicide Transcripts, Page 10).

Sergeant Benning said she assisted personnel from the Fire Department by taking Suspect Malca out of the patrol vehicle and placing him on a gumey (Homicide Transcripts, Page 11).

#### Sergeant Martin Mercado

Sergeant Martin Mercado was interviewed by IAB investigators on April 13, 2021, at 1103 hours. Sergeant Mercado was assigned as Unit 853S4, CSB, assigned to the Antelope Valley area.

Sergeant Mercado stated he normally dressed out for his shift at Olive View Medical Center. On the date of this incident, a friend called him on his way to work and told him, "Olive View is in pursuit of a black and white SUV" (IAB Transcripts, Page 3).

IAB NOTE: Sergeant Mercado's shift started at hours. The pursuit began about 0643 hours.

Sergeant Mercado immediately got dressed in his uniform, got into his patrol vehicle, logged on, and attempted to catch up to the pursuit. He responded "Code 3," toward the pursuit, which was about 10-15 miles away. Sergeant Mercado heard the "998" broadcast over the radio, but he did not witness the shooting. He did not believe he was involved in the pursuit, but arrived when Suspect Malca yielded (IAB Transcripts, Page 4).

#### IAB NOTE: "998" is a radio code for deputy involved shooting.

Once on scene, Sergeant Mercado observed Suspect Malca being handcuffed and detained. He walked up and cleared the stolen patrol vehicle. At this point, Sergeant Mercado assumed control of the command post and took control of the three crime scenes. Sergeant Mercado said the involved personnel (Sergeant Moylan and Benning, and Deputies Dall and Roberts) left the location because they were directly involved. Sergeant Mercado used LAPD resources to assist with the pursuit terminus location and the shooting location until LASD resources arrived (IAB Transcripts, Page 6). Sergeant Mercado utilized LASD personnel to secure the Olive View Medical Center location. Once the scenes were secured, he established a command post, near the shooting area. Adding, he made notifications to the watch commander (Sergeant Koch) (IAB Transcripts, Page 7).

#### **Deputy Ronald McCarthy**

Deputy Ronald McCarthy was interviewed by IAB investigators on April 29, 2021, at 0908 hours. Deputy McCarthy was assigned to Unit 67A, out of SCV Station. Deputy McCarthy was Deputy Garcia's medical and working with him on the day of this incident. Deputies McCarthy and Garcia responded to the pursuit based on an assistance request. Deputy McCarthy broadcasted their location, and they were given authorization for a "Code 3" response (IAB Transcripts, Page 4).

When Deputies McCarthy and Garcia eventually caught up to the vehicle pursuit, Deputy McCarthy believed they were number two in the pursuit. He believed they were involved in the pursuit for approximately five to ten minutes. He was told to return to SCV area by his watch commander, via the radio. He believed he was canceled because he was at the end of a double shift, and believed there were enough units already involved in the pursuit. He did not witness the shooting, or Suspect Malca being taken into custody (IAB Transcripts, Page 5).

#### Deputy Llandel Garcia

Deputy Llandel Garcia was interviewed by IAB investigators on April 14, 2021, at 1307 hours. Deputy Garcia was a and was working with Deputy McCarthy, assigned to Unit 67A, out of SCV Station. Deputy Garcia said he was parked, writing reports when he and Deputy McCarthy heard the pursuit broadcast.

While listening to the radio traffic, he heard someone request spike strips. They acknowledged the request and responded toward the pursuit (IAB Transcripts, Page 3). Deputy Garcia believed they were in the pursuit for five to ten minutes, when their station desk personnel told them to cancel the response. Deputy Garcia said they drove back to their patrol area before the deputy-involved shooting occurred (IAB Transcripts, Page 4).

#### **Deputy Charles Gonzalez**

Deputy Charles Gonzalez was interviewed by IAB investigators on May 5, 2021, at 0933 hours. Deputy Gonzalez was a pilot assigned to Aero Bureau, and working as Unit Air 7, on the date of this incident. He did not witness the deputy-involved shooting. Deputy Gonzalez said in his experience they often request CHP if a pursuit is nearing a freeway or on a freeway. Deputy Gonzalez said LAPD was never involved in the pursuit. Deputy Gonzalez was asked how many vehicles were involved in the pursuit, and what other agencies were involved in the pursuit. Deputy Gonzalez believed it was a mix of LASD, and CHP, but it was hard to determine based on the weather and lighting who all was involved in the vehicle pursuit (IAB Transcripts, Pages 3, 4).

Deputy Gonzalez said at some point he was in contact with Burbank and Van Nuys Airports, because the pursuit was nearing those locations. He wanted to advise the airports not to inadvertently open any gates for Suspect Malca, so the suspect would not drive onto any runways (IAB Transcripts, Page 4).

#### Sergeant Morrie Zager

Sergeant Morrie Zager was interviewed by IAB investigators on April 13, 2021, at 1308 hours. Sergeant Zager was a tactical flight deputy assigned to Aero Bureau, and working as Unit Air 7, on the date of this incident. His job was to view the incident on the ground, using his eyesight, binoculars, or Forward Looking Infrared Cameras (FLIR). He said they normally fly about 500 feet above the ground during pursuits, and orbit about 500-800 feet above ground, depending on obstacles. Sergeant Zager was asked if he observed the deputy-involved shooting, and he stated he did not. He did hear it broadcast on the radio (IAB Transcripts, Page 3).

Sergeant Zager said he observed Suspect Malca being taken into custody. Sergeant Zager was asked if he knew the number of police vehicles involved in the pursuit, and what agencies they were. He stated he did not remember (IAB Transcripts, Page 4).

IAB NOTE: Sergeant Zager retired on March 29, 2020.

#### SSO Joaquin Carlin-Rodriguez

SSO Carlin was interviewed by IAB investigators on May 19, 2021, at 1300 hours. SSO Carlin was assigned to Unit 858O1/EM shift, CSB, assigned to the Olive View Medical

Center. He was assigned the initial call for service. His regular job function is to provide security at the hospital and to assist deputies. He responded to the call in his all-white patrol vehicle and, once he arrived, he observed two marked black and white patrol vehicles leaving the area (IAB Transcripts, Page 5). SSO Carlin was asked if he heard any assistance request over the radio, and he said he did. SSO Carlin began to follow the patrol vehicles, and the radio channel was silent. At some point, he switched his handheld radio to the SCC access channel and heard the patient (Suspect Malca) had stolen a patrol vehicle. SSO Carlin also heard Suspect Malca had access to the AR-15 rifle and shotgun that was inside the stolen patrol vehicle. At this point, he realized he was following the stolen patrol vehicle (IAB Transcripts, Pages 7).

SSO Carlin said his overhead amber lights were activated as he followed the stolen patrol vehicle. He followed the stolen patrol vehicle and saw CHP units arrive and then leave. Shortly after, LAPD arrived on scene and he called his desk via his cellphone. Desk personnel advised him to return to Olive View Medical Center (IAB Transcripts, Page 8). SSO Carlin was asked if he followed the rules of the road, and he replied, "Yes." SSO Carlin was asked about the Department's pursuit policy of SSO's going into vehicle pursuit. SSO Carlin said they (SSO's) should not go in pursuit (IAB Transcripts, Page 9).

IAB NOTE: A copy of the Department's pursuit policy relating to vehicle types, MPP 5-09/210.04, is included within this case summary (Miscellaneous Documents).

SSO Carlin returned to Olive View Medical Center and spoke to an unknown deputy, who was working as the watch sergeant. SSO Carlin asked the deputy if he had to write a report. The unknown deputy told him to go home, and if they needed him, they would call. SSO Carlin was asked a follow-up question about how many LASD patrol vehicles were in the pursuit. He stated there was only one, and himself. He further stated he was going to stay in the pursuit, because of the weapons Suspect Malca had access to (IAB Transcripts Page 11).

IAB NOTE: SSO Carlin's uniform contained a gun belt with a firearm. His Department vehicle was an all-white sedan, with overhead amber-colored rotating lights, and it was not equipped with a siren but had an air horn.

#### **LET Michael Lewis**

LET Michael Lewis was assigned to the desk, at CSB, working at Olive View Medical Center when this incident occurred. He was not interviewed by Homicide detectives and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was recorded (Miscellaneous Documents). LET Lewis retired on August 26, 2020.

#### **Deputy Kenneth Collins**

Deputy Kenneth Collins was the assigned watch deputy at CSB, working at Olive View Medical center. Watch deputy's duties include overseeing desk operations. Deputy Collins was not interviewed by Homicide detectives or IAB investigators. Deputy Collins retired on February 27, 2018. IAB investigators called several phone numbers and mailed certified letters to Deputy Collins; however, he did not respond to their requests.

#### Sergeant Joseph Koch

Sergeant Joseph Koch was the watch commander assigned to CSB, and was working at the CSB main facility (500 W Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012), during the incident. He was not interviewed by Homicide detectives and declined to be interviewed by IAB investigators. The declination was not recorded. Sergeant Koch retired on March 31, 2018.

#### **CIVILIAN WITNESS STATEMENTS:**

No civilian witnesses were located or interviewed about the shooting incident.

#### **SUSPECT STATEMENTS:**

#### Sason Malca

Suspect Sason Malca was interviewed by Homicide detectives on November 1, 2017, at 1142 hours, inside module 172, at Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF). Detective Aguirre asked Suspect Malca if he remembered what happened the day of the incident. Suspect Malca stated, "No" (Homicide Transcripts, Page 3). Suspect Malca said he was walking down the street when a "Sheriff" came by. Suspect Malca wanted a ride home, and nobody would give him one, so he took the police car (Homicide Transcripts, Page 5). Detective Aguirre asked Suspect Malca if he remembered having a pole or stick. Suspect Malca replied, "No." Suspect Malca said he did not recall the deputies trying to stop him, or hitting a police car (Homicide Transcripts, Page 6). Detective Aguirre asked Suspect Malca if he remembered threatening the medical staff, and he replied, "No." Suspect Malca asked Detective Aguirre what his charges were. Detective Aguirre told Suspect Malca his charges, and Suspect Malca began to cry (Homicide Transcripts, Pages 9, 10).

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IAB investigators obtained and reviewed the Homicide casebook, which contained their investigative reports, several compact discs containing video surveillance of the area, photographs, interviews, and radio traffic.

Homicide detectives submitted numerous segments of videos depicting the deputy

involved shooting and vehicle pursuit. IAB inve	estigators reviewed several segments of
video surveillance. IAB investigators noted a v	rideo segment [Exhibit A: Videos:
(DIS) Ch05] from a residential home	
depicted the deputy-involved shooting from a s	treet view camera. Another video
segment [Exhibit A: Videos:	was reviewed. The video footage
depicts several patrol vehicles driving by, but d	lid not appear to capture the shooting
incident.	

A third video segment [Exhibit A: Videos: Olive View] was reviewed which depicted the Olive View Medical Center Emergency Room entrance parking lot. The video is approximately four minutes in length. At about the 00:47 second mark into the video, a patrol vehicle (Ford Explorer) arrived. A deputy sheriff (Deputy Dall) exited the vehicle and walked inside the emergency room doors, and out of view. At about the 01:17 minute mark in the video, Suspect Malca was observed, shirtless, holding a metal pipe. At about the 02:30 minute mark, flashing lights can be seen in the distance, from Sergeant Moylan's patrol vehicle. Once Sergeant Moylan's vehicle is parked, the flashing lights were left on, which blurs the camera's view. At about the 03:00 minute mark, Sergeant Moylan's vehicle was seen driving away. Sergeant Moylan entered Deputy Dall's patrol vehicle, and they both drove away in the same direction as Sergeant Moylan's vehicle.

The news media was overhead during the pursuit and shooting. Their cameras captured most of the incident and live-streamed it over several news channels. Homicide detectives submitted four news channels (KNBC, KABC, KCAL, FOX) recordings [Exhibit A: Videos: Media] of the incident. IAB investigators reviewed each segment and noted the recordings captured most of the vehicle pursuit and the deputy-involved shooting. The video segments also captured Suspect Malca being taken into custody.

Homicide detectives requested LASD SCC radio communications and CHP radio communications [Exhibit A: Radio traffic]. IAB investigators requested alternate radio frequency channels, as well as SCC communications for the incident. IAB investigators transcribed the SCC frequency radio transmission for review. The audio and transcripts [Exhibit B] are contained within this investigative summary.

Sergeant Mercado responded to the terminus of the pursuit and observed Suspect Malca being taken into custody. Sergeant Mercado took over as the incident commander, ensured the three crime scene locations were secured, and established a command post. Sergeant Mercado authored a supplementary report detailing his actions [Exhibit A: Page 39].

Deputy Michael Montesdeoca, # was assigned as Unit 853A2, assigned to CSB, in the Antelope Valley area. He responded to the pursuit terminus and authored a stolen/recovered vehicle report [Exhibit A: Page 38]. Deputy Montesdeoca also recovered and secured the stolen patrol vehicle's Department issued AR-15 rifle and

shotgun. SSO Preet Talwar, # was assigned as Unit 858O2, assigned to CSB, Olive View Medical Hospital. He responded to Olive View Medical Center to locate and secure the metal pole used by Suspect Malca [Exhibit A: Page 41].

IAB investigators reviewed and included the AM in-service for CSB [Exhibit A: Homicide casebook]. IAB investigators also obtained and reviewed Sergeant Moylan's shooting qualification and training records (Miscellaneous Documents).

IAB investigators obtained three segments of audios of the informant calling the Olive View Medical Center desk to report Suspect Malca's behavior from the Homicide detectives [Exhibit A: Calls for service]. The audio segments were three different calls to the Olive Desk. The first segment is an unknown nurse calling Witness Lewis at Olive View Medical Center's desk stating "Code Gold, Psych ER." The second segment is an update advising Suspect Malca's location and he was armed with a pole. The third segment is Deputy Collins calling LET Lewis to make sure the radio traffic is broadcast on the SCC access channel.

Lieutenant Nabeel Mitry, # who was the CSB operations lieutenant at the time of the incident, authored a vehicle pursuit package [Exhibit C]. IAB investigators reviewed the package and it included a seven page office correspondence with a summary of the incident including recommendations, pursuit evaluation, pursuit map, speed time, distance calculations, and dayshift in-service for CSB. On page seven of Lieutenant Mitry's office correspondence, he listed attachments to his package. The incident report and the incident history report were included with the Homicide detective's casebook. The DVD was not received by IAB investigators, but the contents (calls to dispatch, radio traffic, cold line communication, and media footage of the pursuit) of the DVD were included within this investigative summary.

The seven page office correspondence highlighted several training issues. IAB investigators read the document and noted a heading titled, "Training Issues." All of the personnel within this document were interviewed, declined to be interviewed, or did not return IAB investigators requests to be interviewed. All of the personnel not interviewed by IAB investigators had retired from the Department. IAB investigators noted Lieutenant Mitry stated Watch Commander Sergeant Koch failed to establish communications in a timely manner. Upon further review of the Homicide casebook, and Lieutenant Mitry's vehicle pursuit package, they both did not contain any audio recordings of the watch commander's "cold line."

IAB NOTE: The "cold line" is a term used when a watch commander calls the SCC dispatcher directly via telephone. The cold line is used to establish direct communications during foot and vehicle pursuits.

IAB investigators requested the cold line recording from CSB operations. IAB received the audio recording and reviewed the audio segment. The audio segment was

approximately 30 minutes long. At approximately 0644 hours, SCC Sergeant David Davis, # called the CSB desk and spoke to CSB Watch Commander Sergeant Koch.

### IAB NOTE: The emergent pursuit radio traffic was initiated at approximately 0643 hours.

Their conversation was recorded, and they discussed concerns, tactics, and notifications during the 30 minute phone call. The cold line audio segment [Exhibit C] was copied to a compact disc and is contained within this case summary.

Homicide detectives requested CHP pursuit documents [Exhibit A: Pages 90-94]. IAB investigators reviewed the documents and the CHP report stated their officers pursued Suspect Malca for approximately 11 miles. Sometime during the pursuit, a request was made for CHP to take over command and control of the pursuit. According to the document, a lone CHP officer assumed the lead vehicle of the pursuit near the northbound 14 Freeway, north of the 5 Freeway. At about the Sierra Highway and the 14 Freeway, a second CHP officer became involved in the pursuit and assumed the second position. The CHP pursuit document indicated they asked LASD personnel to disengage from the pursuit; however, LASD personnel did not disengage from the pursuit, and CHP officers terminated their involvement at Woodley Avenue and Lassen Street.

IAB investigators submitted a medical records request for Suspect Malca. The medical reports (Miscellaneous Documents) noted two gunshot wounds to his upper right shoulder. The medical records did not include any toxicology reports, nor did the Homicide casebook.

SSO Talwar was assigned to Olive View Medical Center, at CSB, and was assigned as the assisting unit when the call was dispatched. SSO Talwar retired from the Department on May 10, 2019, and was not contacted by IAB investigators.